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CLOSURE OF JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA UNIVERSITY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Jamia Millia Islamia University has been shut down ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there has been frequent students strikes in that University;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to bring back normalcy and to reopen the university and also to avoid recurrence of such instances in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (e): According to the information furnished by Jamia Millia Islamia, certain acts of violence took place on the University campus on the 18th July, 2006. With a view to restoring normalcy, the University had to be closed sine die. The University has appointed Hon`ble (Mr. Justice) S.K. Aggarwal, Retd. Judge, High Court of Delhi, to conduct an inquiry into the matter and submit a comprehensive report. Meanwhile, the University reopened with effect from the 27th July, 2006.It is not correct to say that there has been frequent students` strike in the University.To avoid any recurrence in future and to protect the long term interests of its bonafide students, the University is committed to cleansing the University campus of the undesirable elements.